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FOREWORD

The Missouri Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse is pleased to present this ninth edition of the *Status Report on Missouri's Alcohol and Drug Abuse Problems*.

This report uses state and national surveys to compare alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use in Missouri with national prevalence rates. It highlights some of the consequences of substance abuse as reported by various public entities. Trend data and charts illustrate the changes in the magnitude of substance abuse problems over a period of several years.

The Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse contracts with substance abuse treatment programs to provide publicly supported services, and this report summarizes the characteristics of the clients receiving those services. Additional information regarding the Division's treatment and prevention services is available from the Division's regional offices located in Kansas City, St. Louis, Springfield, Columbia, Rolla, and Poplar Bluff. The addresses and phone numbers of these offices are listed on the map in the appendix of this publication. The eighth and ninth editions of the Status Report are accessible on the web through the Division's homepage at:

<http://www.modmh.state.mo.us/ada/index.html>

Inquiries and comments pertaining to this publication should be directed to the Division's Research and Statistics unit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Couty".

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